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- (a) There is a Council on Open Data.
- (b) The Council consists of the following 37 members:
  - (1) the Secretary of Agriculture;
  - (2) the Secretary of the Environment;
  - (3) the Secretary of Natural Resources;
  - (4) the Secretary of Planning;
  - (5) the Secretary of Transportation;
  - (6) the Secretary of Housing and Community Development;
  - (7) the Secretary of Commerce;
  - (8) the Secretary of General Services;
  - (9) the State Superintendent of Schools;
  - (10) the Secretary of Health;
  - (11) the Secretary of Information Technology;
  - (12) the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services;
  - (13) the Secretary of State Police;
  - (14) the Director of Assessments and Taxation;
  - (15) the Secretary of Budget and Management;
  - (16) the Adjutant General of the Military Department;
  - (17) the Secretary of Emergency Management;

- (18) the Secretary of Labor;
  - (19) the Secretary of Human Services;
  - (20) the Director of the Governor's Office of Performance Improvement;
  - (21) the Governor's Homeland Security Advisor;
  - (22) the Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services;
  - (23) the Executive Director of the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems;
  - (24) the Executive Director of the Department of Legislative Services;
  - (25) the State Archivist;
  - (26) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;
  - (27) one member of the House of Delegates of Maryland, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
  - (28) five elected officials or employees from local entities who have knowledge of and interest in open data, appointed by the Governor in accordance with subsections (d) and (e) of this section; and
  - (29) five members from the private, private utility, academic, or nonprofit sectors who have knowledge of and interest in open data, appointed by the Governor in accordance with subsection (e) of this section.
- (c) If a member of the Council listed in subsection (b)(1) through (24) of this section is unable to attend a meeting of the Council, the member may designate the Chief Information Officer or another senior management staff member of the agency or organization to attend the meeting.
- (d) Of the five elected officials or employees from local entities appointed by the Governor under subsection (b)(28) of this section, one shall represent each of the following groups of counties:
- (1) Allegany County, Frederick County, Garrett County, and Washington County;

(2) Caroline County, Cecil County, Dorchester County, Kent County, Queen Anne's County, Somerset County, Talbot County, Wicomico County, and Worcester County;

(3) Anne Arundel County, Calvert County, Charles County, and St. Mary's County;

(4) Montgomery County and Prince George's County; and

(5) Baltimore City, Baltimore County, Carroll County, Harford County, and Howard County.

(e) (1) This subsection applies to members of the Council appointed under subsection (b)(28) and (29) of this section.

(2) The term of a member is 4 years, except that five members may serve an initial 3-year term as required by the terms provided for staggered members of the Council on July 1, 2014.

(3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(5) A member may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

(6) The Governor may remove a member for neglect of duty, incompetence, or misconduct.

(f) A member of the Council may not receive compensation but is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations as provided in the State budget.

(g) (1) The Secretary of Information Technology is the Chair of the Council.

(2) The Director of the Governor's Office of Performance Improvement is the Vice Chair of the Council.

(h) The staffing responsibilities of the Council shall be shared by the Department of Information Technology, the Governor's Office of Performance Improvement, and any other staff designated by the Governor.

(i) The Council may establish workgroups as necessary to complete the duties of the Council.

(j) The Council shall meet at least twice each year.

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